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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Majority prices for next week were trending unchanged to lower. Trade sentiment was overall no better than steady. Retail and food service movement covered the full range, but was usually fair at best except where features and promotions were active. Supplies of heavier weights were adequate to ample and at times discounted to help clear. Smaller sizes were in better balance, but sufficient. In The parts structure, all items were at least adequate for current interest. Trading was mixed, mostly light. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were desirable to heavy, mostly desirable.

Preliminary report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook broiler/fryers fob and delivered to first receivers at major market areas week of 10/15-10/20/01 (cents per lb)

US GRADE A

(Including branded product)

AREAS	MAJORITY	RANGE	WTD AVG	LOADS
Delivered to First Receivers				
Chicago	50.00-54.00	46.00-68.25	52.46	26
Los Angeles	71.00			
New York	52.00-54.00			
Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent				
Mississippi	64.00-66.00	51.00-68.00	65.22	82

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 65.75 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

PRELIMINARY FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT

LOADS	RANGE	PRELIM. WTD. AVG.
682	59.50-67.00	65.62

Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed preliminary weighted average price on ice packed parts:

ITEM	WTD. AVG. (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	208.00	1,243
BREASTS - B/S	141.00	3,843
BREASTS - WHOLE	69.00	1,093
THIGH MEAT - B/S	95.50	765
LEG QUARTERS	35.50	7,808
WINGS	104.00	2,784

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MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYERS Preliminary majority was unchanged into Chicago when compared to last Tuesday. The market tone continues barely steady. Uncommitted product was fully adequate on heavier sizes, in better balance on the lighter sizes. Demand into both retail and food service outlets ranged slow to fairly good, mostly fair at best, best where features were active. Floor stocks ranged from balanced to long, with weights mostly desirable. Parts trading was spotty as most dealers were confident that extra product could be secured if needed. Wing activity continued to improve. Leg quarters and wings were in fairly good balance with other items fully adequate to long. The market tone was steady on wings and leg quarters, barely steady to weak on the other items.

SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trade sentiment was no better than steady. Demand entering the weekend continued slow to fair, instances moderate, best for features. Supplies were at least sufficient to satisfy needs. In the parts structure, trading had increased slightly, but remained below expectations. Supplies were becoming more balanced but still exceeded limited interest. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS The market tone was about steady. Trading reported for next week's deliveries on regular commitments at mainly unchanged prices with new negotiations at mixed levels. Offerings were adequate on small sizes and heavy weights ample for current needs. Excess product often discounted but difficult to place. Buying interest was fair. Demand by stores light to moderate best to over features and fast food fairly good. Dealers anticipated satisfactory weekend clearances. Ads noted: Southern California - whole body 58-79, boneless breasts 179-399, boneless thighs 129-138, split breasts 139-189, leg quarters 69, thighs 67-87 (IQF 4# bag 316), drumsticks 67-87 (IQF 4# bag 316), cornish hens twin pack 599 each; Northern California - whole body 99, boneless breasts 249-399, split breasts 139; Arizona - whole body 79-99, boneless breasts 299-399 (IQF 4# bag 796), split breasts 149, boneless thighs 299, leg quarters 79-119, thighs 69-119, drumsticks 69-119.

NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was only to fair moderate at best. Offerings ranged adequate to ample, with the 2.5 to 3-pound in the better balance. Movement through retail and distributive channels was mostly fair. The market tone was no better than steady. In the parts complex, breast items were fully adequate. Leg items were more than sufficient for trade needs. Wings were readily available.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was about moderate entering the weekend with sellers generally reporting the bulk of activity as centered on standing commitments, with limited buyer interest for additional supplies. Offerings were fully adequate to ample. Live supplies were mostly moderate; weights were mostly desirable to heavy. Processing schedules were moderate to light. Less than trucklot asking prices were 1 cent lower at 54 to 68 cents. Trade sentiment was unsettled and no better than steady. In the parts complex, all items remained at least adequate for current inquiry.

*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA.

BRANDED U.S. GRADE A	
RANGE	49-72
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	57.11
NO. OF BOXES	11,305
CUMULATIVE	10/08/01-10/12/01 57.73
	10/09/00-10/13/00 50.14
NO. OF BOXES	10/08/01-10/12/01 67,246
	10/09/00-10/13/00 67,778

*8 of 8 plants reporting.

OCT 11

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

OCT 12

POUNDS					POUNDS					WEEKLY	
ITEM	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	(000)	WTD AVG	
BREAST - B/S	917	115.00-191.00	130-140	135.45	912	115.00-190.00	130-135	132.17	3,638	136.82	
TENDERLOINS	175	145.00-250.00	145-148	161.60	187	145.00-250.00	-	160.13	750	162.07	
BREAST - LINE RUN	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				304	70.69	
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				280	63.44	
LEGS	129	39.00-57.00	39-42	41.50	169	39.00-57.00	39-42	41.62	596	41.63	
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	421	30.00-34.00	30-31	30.77	501	27.50-34.00	30-31	30.61	1,964	30.80	
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,280	32.00-36.00	33-34	33.73	1,200	32.00-36.00	33-34	33.85	5,070	33.94	
WINGS (WHOLE)	310	102.00-106.00	-	104.92	625	102.00-106.00	104-105	104.96	1,725	106.29	
WINGS (CUT)	584	108.00-130.00	108-110	115.38	494	102.00-125.00	109-111	113.99	2,592	115.38	
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				276	57.43	
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				156	49.56	
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				TFEWR		

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS*****
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TRADING FOR OCT 11, 2001 F.O.B. DOCK.

TRADING FOR OCT 12, 2001 F.O.B. DOCK.

TODAY'S**TODAY'S****5-DAY****RANGE****AVERAGE****RANGE****AVERAGE****AVERAGE**

44.50 - 49.50

46.39

43.25 - 49.50

46.31

47.12

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Trucklot buying activity increased slightly entering the weekend, however dealers remained cautious and generally unaggressive. Offerings of breast items were fully adequate and competitively priced. Leg and leg quarters were more than sufficient for trade needs. Wings were readily available and slow to clear at most points. Movement through retail and distributive channels was light to no better than fair. The market tone was barely steady to weak on wings; no better than steady on the balance.

ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND.

OCT 11				OCT 12			
CURRENT NEG				CURRENT NEG			
ITEM	TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS	ITEM	TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	125-130	135.90	538,880	BREAST - B/S	125-130	136.20	589,160
TENDERLOINS	140	144.16	103,680	TENDERLOINS	140	143.69	166,449
BREAST - WITH RIBS	60-61	68.26	338,280	BREAST - WITH RIBS	60-61	67.61	315,240
BREAST - LINE RUN	60	62.00	126,000	BREAST - LINE RUN	60	62.39	129,600
LEGS	43-44	48.41	212,440	LEGS	43-44	47.76	224,960
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	33-34	33.89	676,117	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	33-34	34.28	502,529
DRUMSTICKS	41-42	47.80	157,110	DRUMSTICKS	41-42	47.39	183,900
THIGHS	37-38	44.51	155,050	THIGHS	37-38	46.27	150,130
B/S THIGHS	89-90	94.19	60,560	B/S THIGHS	89-90	94.63	65,600
WINGS (WHOLE)	98-99	106.16	410,669	WINGS (WHOLE)	97-98	107.65	358,960
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	12.13	88,440	BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	12.02	97,320
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35	39.62	125,080	LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35	39.63	139,440
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	45-50	54.85	157,280	GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	45-50	54.93	177,360

INCLUDES: NY CITY METRO. AREA, RI, NORTHERN NJ, MA, CT, PA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG). * TODAY'S NEG. SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

** WTD AVG PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY,
DELIVERED TO RETAILERS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
(L.A. AREA)**

ESTIMATED		ACTUAL		AVG WTS		ACTUAL WTS	
10/12	10/11	10/10	10/09	10/10	10/09	10/05	10/03
ALA	3,922	4,055	3,835	4,043	5.15	5.13	3,954
ARK	5,422	4,960	5,152	5,221	4.97	4.93	5,555
DELMARVA	2,147	2,274	2,247	2,279	4.97	4.94	2,725
KY-LA-TN	2,200	2,026	2,028	2,029	4.57	4.62	2,127
MISS	2,962	2,845	2,840	2,842	5.11	5.22	2,994
NC	2,549	2,643	2,595	2,580	6.01	6.01	2,794
TEXAS	2,344	2,388	2,449	2,411	5.04	5.13	2,502
TOTAL	21,546	21,191	21,146	21,405	5.12	5.13	22,651
MON-FRI107,253(A)							107,926(A)

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above. Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 12-Oct 01 and 13-Oct-01 is estimated to be 32,235,000 down 5.16 percent from a week ago and up 5.9 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 33,990,000; last year 30,428,000)

Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the week ending 13-Oct-01 is estimated to be 154,999,000 head down 1.7

percent from a week ago, and up 3.0 percent from a year ago

(Last week 157,688,000 Last year 150,464,000)

RANGE	
FRESH FRYERS	87-89
ROASTERS 4# & UP	71-90
HENS UNDER 5#	
HENS OVER 5#	
DUCKS	139
RABBITS-WHOLE	
RABBITS-CUT UP	

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY**DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

RANGE	
FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK 95-97
	DRY PACK 97-105
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK 104-113
	DRY PACK 113-123
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK 98
	DRY PACK 91
DUCKS	152-166

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED Under federal inspection, classified by live wt., week ending September 29, 2001 (Preliminary),

	(A) Fast food/ Food service 4.20 Lbs & down	(B) Retail 4.21-5.25 Lbs	(C) Deboning 5.26 Lbs & Up
	-----THOUSANDS-----		

Head	31,531	29,359	55,846
Avg Weight	3.73	4.70	6.07
% of total /1	27%	25%	48%

COMPARISONS

Last week	30,545	26,026	42,636
Avg Weight	3.86	4.76	6.02
% of total /1	31%	26%	43%
Same week, yr ago /2	30,162	33,451	41,850
Avg Weight	3.80	4.75	6.10
% of total /1	29%	32%	40%
To date/2001	1,246,370	1,079,448	1,697,532
To date/2000	1,289,943	1,296,883	1,571,738

/1 May not total to 100% due to rounding.

/2 Comparable week.

(A) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the fast food and food service industries. May also include cornish hens.

(B) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the retail industry.

(C) This weight class generally denotes chickens used in further processing. May also include heavy roasters sold in retail channels.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 06-Oct-2001 (PRELIMINARY)

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
	-----THOUSANDS-----				
HEAD	157,688(A)	1,950	1,320	3,270	504
AVG WT	5.10	3.60	8.06	5.44	6.59
LAST WEEK	160,610	1,937	1,403	3,340	549
SAME WK YR AGO	153,977	1,796	1,538	3,334	473
AVG WT	5.16	3.45	7.94	5.49	6.68
TO-DATE/2001	6,160,217	71,227	55,200	126,427	20,137
TO-DATE/2000	6,189,919	76,658	57,903	134,561	17,877

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 155.4 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 159.6 million head or 4.2 million head more than or 104 percent of estimated fryers available.

EAST PETERSBURG POULTRY - DATE OF AUCTION: OCT 09, 2001

	RANGE	RANGE
Muscovy Ducks - Drakes	.70 - .84	Silkie 2.50 - 3.75ea.
Muscovy Ducks - Hens	.70 - .82	Geese
Pekin Ducks	.10 - .20	9-14 LBS .20 - .32
Red Fowl 4-4.5 LBS	.20 - .48	Pigeons 1.25 - 1.75ea.
Red Fowl 5-6 LBS	.50 - 1.00	White Pigeons 2.50 - 3.00ea.
Crossbred Fowl		Rabbits
5-9 LBS	.40 - .94	4-6 LBS .70 - .94
Crossbred Roasters		Rabbits
4-6 LBS	.50 - .98	7-11 LBS .70 - .88
Crossbred Roasters		Bunnies 1.00 - 7.50ea.
7-11 LBS	.50 - .92	Guinea Pigs .25 - 2.00ea.
Guinea Fowl	1.50 - 1.85	Doves 4.50 - 6.50ea.
Banty Roasters	2.50 - 6.50ea.	Pullets 4-6 LBS .60 - .74
Banty Hens	2.00 - 3.50ea.	Total Coops Sold 834
Leghorn Hens	.10 - .22	***WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE
Leghorn Roasters	.10 - .24	ON THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 15, 2001***

EASTERN REGION MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY

FOR CURRENT DELIVERY FOR THE WEEK OF 08-OCT-2001

DUCKLINGS: PRICES NEGOTIATED BY FIRST RECEIVERS, US GRADE A, 4-5 POUNDS, DELIVERED IN TRUCKLOT AND POOL TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES

ORIGIN	FROZEN	FRESH
LONG ISLAND	137	143
MOSTLY		

MIDWEST	122-126	123-127
MOSTLY		

ROASTERS: PRICES NEGOTIATED BY FIRST RECEIVERS, US GRADE A AND PLANT GRADE, 5 POUNDS AND UP, DELIVERED

	RANGE	MOSTLY
ICE PACKED (12 PER BOX)	64-69	68-69
VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX)	65-85	65-77

SQUABS: NEW YORK AREA WHOLESALE PRICES, FROZEN, PLANT GRADE, DOLLARS PER DOZEN, 1 TO 10 BOXES

12 OZ.	60.48-69.66
14 OZ.	66.96-76.14
16 OZ.	73.44-83.43

THE EASTERN REGION INCLUDES:

CT,DE,FL,GA,MA,MD,ME,NC,NH,NJ,NY,PA RI,SC,VA,VT,WV

CENTRAL REGION DUCKLINGS Prices unchanged. Trade sentiment mostly steady. Demand was about moderate. Sizes were desirable. Slaughter schedules usually full-time. Prices paid to first receivers for 10-18oz boneless breast at \$5.05.25, bone in legs at \$1.35-1.38, gizzards at \$1.35-1.40, wings at \$.50-.75, livers at \$.50-1.50, and feet at \$.90-1.15.

NEGOTIATED BY FIRST RECEIVERS FOR US GRADE A DELIVERED IN TRUCKLOT AND POOL TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, 4-5 POUNDS, WEEK OF 08-OCT-2001

ORIGIN	FROZEN	FRESH
MIDWEST AND OTHERS	116-124	125
MOSTLY		

ESTIMATED U.S. SLAUGHTER COMPARED TO ESTIMATED FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING.

WEEK ENDING	MILLION HEAD SLAUGHTERED	MILLION HEAD AVAILABLE	PCT	AVG WT
SEPTEMBER 1	163.6	154.5	106	5.01
8	143.6	154.7	93	4.95
15	161.9	155.5	104	4.97
22	162.8	157.2	104	5.16
29	162.6	155.7	104	5.01
OCTOBER 6	159.6	155.4	103	5.10
YEAR TO DATE	6235.2	6189.9	101	
OCTOBER 13		155.3		
20		154.2		

BROILER/CATTLE/HOG WEEKLY ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER

	-----THOUSANDS-----				
W/E	10/13/01	10/06/01	% CHG	10/14/00	% CHG
Broilers	154,999	157,688*	-02	150,464*	+03
Cattle	667	671	-01	701*	-05
Hogs	2,023	1,947	+04	1,997*	+01
Under Federal Inspection					
* ACTUAL					

NATIONAL CANNER FOWL Majority prices trended slightly higher on both light and heavy canners when compared to a week earlier. Demand ranged fair to good. Supplies and offerings were less available and generally in close balance. Undertone was fully steady.

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, WITHOUT FREIGHT COST

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
24-27 MAJORITY 24-26	32-38 MAJORITY 32.5-34

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, FREIGHT COST INCLUDED

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
26-29.5 MAJORITY 26-27	33.5-41 MAJORITY 33.5-35.5

EASTERN REGION LIGHT LIVE HEN Prices were unchanged. Demand was light to fair and generally unaggressive. Offerings were fully adequate. Processing schedules for next week were reported as normal. Canners movement was fair to moderate with offerings adequate for trade needs. The undertone was steady.

SOUTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Sales were too few to report. Demand was moderate at best. Offerings were fully adequate for scheduled needs. Sales of dressed product were only fair. Trade sentiment was about steady.

NORTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Prices unchanged. Demand was mostly light to moderate with offerings ample. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment steady.

WEST COAST LIGHT LIVE HEN Plants worked desired schedules. Offerings adequate.

LIVE HENS

Cents per pound, generally for slaughter the following week.

<u>HEAVY</u>	<u>RANGE</u>	<u>MAJORITY</u>
Southeast Heavy	TFEWR	(1)
Southeast Heavy	TFEWR	(2)
f.o.b. plant	TFEWR	
South Central Heavy	TFEWR	(1)
<u>LIGHT</u>	<u>RANGE</u>	<u>MAJORITY</u>
Eastern Light	0-0	(1)
Eastern Light	0-0	(2)
So. Central Light	TFEWR	(2)
No. Central Light	TFEWR	(1)
No. Central Light	0	(2)
(1) Buyer Loading	(2) Producer Loading	

(TFEWR) TOO FEW TO REPORT

SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN Sales were too few to report prices. Demand was mostly fair for the at least adequate offerings. Processing schedules were reported as normal. Canner supplies were sufficient for trade needs. The undertone was steady.

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Sales were too few to report prices. Demand was moderate for at least adequate offerings of spent heavy fowl. Schedules at processing plants were normal. Finished sales were slightly better than the previous week. Trade sentiment was generally steady.

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